

MEMORANDUM

23 March 1949

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

TO: Executive, CIA
THRU: Budget Officer
FROM: Covert Deputy Budget Officer
SUBJ: Designation of Approving Officers

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AUTHORIZATIONS

1. Paragraph 10.5 of the Confidential Funds Regulations requires that the Assistant Directors of Covert Offices or the Executive designate Approving Officers to approve Confidential Funds expenditures. The Assistant Directors of OSO and OPC have made such designations of Approving Officers for their respective offices, but no designations have, as yet, been made to cover the approval of expenditures of Confidential Funds, under the various projects approved by the Director for activities outside the covert offices.

2. Since the projects do not, in most cases, designate an Approving Officer, it appears necessary that the Executive make formal designations by organizational level and title, or designate specific officers who may act in the capacity of Approving Officers for specific projects. We suggest that the designations be made by title at the various organizational levels, as shown in the attached draft. However, we attach a list of the various approved projects and the officers presently approving expenses under those projects, in the event the Executive wishes to designate Approving Officers by individual project.

3. Attention is directed to the fact that the Covert Deputy Services Officer is required to approve expenses for procurement, services, and transportation items for support of, and properly chargeable to, OSO and OPC projects, and should be designated as an Approving Officer in that capacity, as well as Approving Officer for procurement expenses incurred under the projects listed on the attached sheet.

4. It is suggested that the designations, when approved by the Executive, be mimeographed and distributed to the appropriate Approving Officers and others concerned.

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